

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1 and 16, CANCEL claims 9-15 and ADD new claim 17 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of constructing a software system in a computer connected to a center via a network, ~~comprising the steps of:~~

storing information about development situations, know-how, and knowledge in a solution bank at the center by a unit of a solution pattern, said information including software components of a default software system;

customizing the default software system;

~~obtaining~~ downloading contents including the software components of the default software system corresponding to a desired software system ~~so as to~~ install the default software system in the computer, and

constructing the desired software system ~~by accessing the solution bank from a computer in which the desired software system is to be constructed~~ based on the installed default software system.

2. (ORIGINAL) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solution bank stores information on an application environment including proposals, designs, software, know-how, and a programming environment.

3. (ORIGINAL) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said step of obtaining contents comprises the steps of:

accessing the solution bank based on information including a business model, transaction forms, and a project size; and

selecting items of desired information from items presented by the solution bank.

4. (ORIGINAL) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said step of obtaining contents comprises the steps of:
accessing the solution bank based on information including a solution pattern, a machine being used, a product being used; and
supplying an application environment of a default system from the solution bank to the computer in which the desired system is to be constructed.

5. (ORIGINAL) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein said step of obtaining contents further comprises the
step of supplying design documents of the default system from the solution bank to the computer in which the desired system is to be constructed.

6. (ORIGINAL) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solution bank provides a solution pattern categorized according to a business-transaction model which is requested by the computer in which the desired system is to be constructed.

7. (ORIGINAL) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solution bank provides only a partial function of a solution pattern for the computer in which the desired system is to be constructed.

8. (ORIGINAL) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
checking components incorporated into a default system which is used as a basis for the desired system; and
utilizing the checked components for a computer in which another system is to be constructed.

9-15. (CANCELLED)

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A machine-readable memory medium having a program embodied therein for constructing a software system in a computer connected to a center via a network, the program comprising:
a solution-pattern providing program with a solution bank, which stores ~~an~~ information about development situations, know-how, and knowledge by a unit of a solution pattern at the

center, the information including software components of a default software system to provide the information as a solution pattern or a portion of the solution pattern in response to a request and the default software system being customized; and

a system-construction program with a system-construction device that ~~obtains~~ downloads contents, including the software components of the default software system, corresponding to a desired software system from the solution bank to install the default software system so as to construct the desired software system ~~by accessing the solution bank~~ based on the installed default software system.

17. (NEW) A method of constructing a software for distribution via a network, comprising

storing a default software at a solution center and customizing the default software based on development situations and software components indicated by a customer, said customizing being prior to delivery of the default software to the customer; and

installing the customized default software to corresponding one or more computers of the customer.